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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS CONTROL IN AFGHANISTAN

REF: A) GENEVA 1546, B) KABUL 2291, C) BONN 16395 (1972)

1. A RELIABLE FOREIGN OFFICE SOURCE (HAUTHAL, SOUTH ASIAN AFFAIRS) ADVISED THAT IN RECENT WEEKS THE INTERIOR MINISTRY HAS TAKEN INCREASING INTEREST IN THE NARCOTICS CONTROL EFFORTS IN AFGHANISTAN. IT HAS CALLED AN INTERMINISTERIAL MEETING TO DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT FOR APRIL 27, SOMEWHAT TO THE SURPRISE OF THE OTHER MINISTRIES. WE WERE TOLD CONFIDENTIALLY (NOFORN) THAT THE GERMAN EMBASSY IN KABUL NOTIFIED BONN THAT THE AFGHAN INTERIOR MINISTER DESIRED TO TAKE A WORKING VACATION IN GERMANY AND THAT FRG INTERIOR MINISTER GENSCHER HAD INTERVENED TO SEEK TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY TRAVEL FUNDS WHEN THE OTHER MINISTRIES PLEADED INSUFFICIENT RESOURCES. OUR SOURCE THINKS THE LONG DELAYED VISIT TO AFGHANISTAN OF AN FRG NARCOTICS EXPERT FROM THE INTERIOR MINISTRY WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE NEAR FUTURE (REFTEL C). FINALLY, THE RG STILL HAS UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION ASSIGNING A NARCOTICS AGENT TO KABUL.

2. OUR SOURCE CONFIRMED THE FRG'S INTENTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERNATIONAL CONSULTATIVE GROUP. HE SAID HE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY NEW DECISION TO EXTEND THE POLICE PROJECT BEYOND ITS
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